



## The Heys School

Dear Parents and Carers

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for the support you have shown us at school. The students have returned to school in a positive manner and look extremely smart in their new school uniform. We are still awaiting the PE jumpers and will distribute them to students as part of the PE lessons as soon as we receive them.

Could I just take this time to remind you that school jumpers are compulsory and also that students should not be wearing jewellery other than one pair of stud earrings, there have been a small number of students who have needed to be reminded of this.

If you wish to buy additional items of uniform, please do so by placing an order at Kids Kirby via their website [alphaschoolwear.com](http://alphaschoolwear.com). We are currently negotiating that orders be delivered to school to waive the delivery charge. I will update you on this as soon as we get confirmation it has been approved.

The students seem to have adapted very well to the changes and measures we have put in place and should be praised for this, as we know these times are difficult and ever changing. Please can I remind you that masks are compulsory in communal areas. However, some students are exempt from wearing them. If your child is exempt, please put a note in their planner and we will make sure they get a mask exemption card for their lanyard.

I would ask that you continue to remind students of the importance of social distancing and the need for this in school, not only to protect themselves but their families and the staff. The vast majority of our students have been doing this without us having to remind them.

Thank you for working with us when your child is unwell, by not sending them into school when they have a high temperature, persistent cough or a loss or change to their sense of smell or taste. Could I also remind you that if someone in your household has symptoms you must follow the Governments guidance with regards to self-isolating and not send your child into school. If you need any further advice on this, please do not hesitate to contact our attendance team.

To make things safer for us all we also ask that, where possible, you add money to your child's account via parent mail. We would appreciate this greatly.

I have been into a number of Key Stage 3 lessons and the students have been on task and working hard. The senior team in the Key Stage 4 bubble have been going into lessons in the new building and have let me know that this is also the case in Key Stage 4. This is great to see. The school feels like a very positive environment, in which students are making the most of their learning opportunities. We are looking forward to starting to see the students gain rewards for the Heys pledge. If you are not aware of this, it is a new programme we have introduced to encourage students to track personal development outside of the classroom. All information is in the pupil's planner. We would love you to talk to your child/children about how they can achieve some of the pledges over the coming months.

The new school website is now up and running. You can find it by searching for [theheys.school](http://theheys.school). We also ask as many parents as possible to follow us on our twitter page @schoolHeys where we regularly post lots of useful information and update for parents and students.

Thanks again for all your support

Take care and stay safe.

Headteacher | **Miss R Evans**, BA (Hons) NPQH

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